GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3120
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2008
MEGA TOURIST CIRCUITS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to open three mega tourist circuits in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) and (b): Ministry of Tourism has identified 22 destinations/circuits for mega projects on the basis of footfalls, future potential and in consultation with State Governments. Fifteen mega projects have been sanctioned to date including 9 for Rs.21742.27 lakh in the current financial year.

The list is at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3120 ANSWERED ON 18.12.2008 REGARDING MEGA TOURIST CIRCUITS

DESTINATIONS/CIRCUITS IDENTIFIED FOR MEGA PROJECTS

S. No. Project Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)

1. Agra-Revitalization of Taj (Uttar Pradesh) 1525.00

2. Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh) 786 .00

3. Bodhgaya-Rajgir-Nalanda (Bihar) 1922.42

4. Illumination of Monuments of Delhi (Delhi) 2375.09

5. Mahabalipuram (Tamil Nadu) 1039.66 during 10th Plan and 273.03 during 2008-09

6. Bhubaneshwar- Puri -Chilka (Orissa) 3022.80

7 Haridwar-Rishikesh (Uttarakhand)

8. Hampi (Karnataka) 3283.58

9. Gangtok (Sikkim) 2390.70

10. Ajmer (Rajasthan)
11. Panipat-Kurukshetra-Pinjore (Haryana) 1630.03

12. Charminar area of Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) 994.75

13. Jagdalpur-Tirathgarh-Chitrakoot-Barsoo (Chattisgarh)

14. Dwarka -Nageshwar-Bet Dwarka (Gujarat) 798.90

15. Tirupati Heritage Circuit (Andhra Pradesh) 4652.49

16. Churches of Goa -

17. Ganga Heritage River Cruise Circuit (West Bengal) 2042.35

18. Vidarbha Heritage Circuit (Maharashtra)

19. Aurangabad (Maharashtra)

20. Amritsar (Punjab) 1585.53

21. Puducherry

22. Kadapa Heritage Tourist Circuit 3692.89